



St. Alphonsus

Wheeling, WV

August 27, 2023

21st Sunday Ordinary Time
Calendar

Hot Dog Social-
Sept. 9

Pastor:

Most Rev. Bishop Mark Brennan

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***"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.
Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven;
and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed
in heaven."***
Matthew 16:19

Mass Schedule

Sunday	9:00 am
Tues, Thur & Fri	8:00 am
Wednesday	6:00 pm
Saturday	5:30 pm

Reconciliation:

Sat 4:30 -5:00 pm
Sun: 8:30 -8:50 am (or by appointment)

Baptisms, Marriage and Anointing of the Sick:
Contact the Parish Office

The Offertory Report

August 19 and 20

Envelopes = \$ 1023

Loose = \$ 523

Votive Candles= \$ 110

WV Seminarian= \$404

Assumption= \$314

Mass Attendance

5:30 pm— 81

9:00 am— 64

Minster Schedule

September 2 and 3

Readers:

Sat.- J. Vidonic

Sun.- C. Griffin

Extraordinary Ministers

of Holy Communion:

Sat.- J. Brensinger

L. DeGasperi

J. Vidonic

Sun.- M. Bohlman

P. Romanek

P. Holt

Readings

Sun: Is 22: 19-23

Rom 11: 33-36

Matt 16: 13-20

Mon: 1 Thes 1: 1-5, 8-10

Matt 23: 13-22

Tues: 1 Thes 2: 1-8

Matt 6: 17-29

Wed: 1 Thes 2: 9-13

Matt 23: 27-32

Thur: 1 Thes 3: 7-13

Matt 24: 42-51

Fri: 1 Thes 4: 1-8

Matt 25: 1-13

Sat: 1 Thes 4: 9-11

Matt 25: 14-30

An expert from *The Glories of Mary*
By St. Alphonsus Liguori

The Queen of Mercy

Because Mary is ready to help us in our weakness, the Church calls her, "Mother of Mercy." She pours out mercy because "Queen signifies compassion towards the needy" (St. Albert the Great). Kings must do works of mercy but, they must also punish the guilty. Mary is not a Queen of Justice, who punishes the guilty. She is a Queen of Mercy, intent on pardoning sinners. "The Kingdom of God was divided into justice and mercy. The Lord reserved justice for himself and yielded the mercy to Mary. He ordered that all mercy would pass through her hands". (John Gersen). St. Thomas confirms this, "When the Blessed Virgin brought forth the Eternal Word, she obtained half of the Kingdom of God. She is Queen of Mercy. Jesus is King of Justice." The Father made Jesus the universal Judge of the world. "Give Justice to the King's Son" (Ps 122:2) Bonaventure wrote, "Give your judgment to the King, Oh God, and mercy to His mother, the Queen." We sinners must rejoice because our Queen overflows with mercy. "O Mary, you are full of mercy and compassion. God has anointed you with the oil of gladness." (St. Bonaventure)

The Christian Mother's Ladies' Guild News

The gathering will be Tuesday, September 12
with a potluck dinner.
Details coming soon!

Mark your calendar: Card Party will be November 5!

Holy Ghost Café Breakfast THIS SUNDAY!

Join us for a delicious hot breakfast
in Columbia Hall on Sunday, August 27,
following the 9:00 am Mass !

SECOND COLLECTION:

September 24: Catholic University of America

Office of Safe Environment

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 888-352-6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 304-233-0880.

The St. Alphonsus Sunday School will begin classes on September 10 from 10-11 am, following the 9am Mass. We welcome all youth to deepen their faith, their knowledge of Scripture, enliven their participation at Holy Mass, and help develop a healthy discernment of moral right from wrong based on the teachings of the Catholic Church. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation is also available.

We have a number of used heavy, real-cloth table coverings available for anyone who can use them. Measuring 120 x 45, they are made to cover 8 foot rectangular banquet tables. There are several in gold/yellow, pink, white, red, and bright blue. Asking for a donation of \$5 per or make an offer.

St. Alphonsus Hot Dog Social

Saturday, September 9

6-10 pm in the GYM

\$5 per person, Children are FREE!

Kirks Ice Cream, Raffles, Games, Music



A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OF **OUR FANTASTIC VOLUNTEERS**
WHO HELPED AT THE PASTA DINNER!!!
WE SERVED OVER 120 DINNERS AND MADE OVER \$1400

* Our parish would like to recognize D.P. Harris of Latrobe, PA and thank him for his generous donation in honor of the soul of Linda Jasko. *

Greetings from the Parish Office!

This week's cover photo is our window of Christ giving St. Peter the Keys to the Kingdom. It is the last window on the church's north side.

The parish office will be closed on Labor Day, September 4.

To clear up any misunderstandings... A habit on the part of a person of leaving church before the final blessing without serious cause diminishes the devotion and reverence due to Holy Mass and prevents the person from receiving all possible spiritual benefits of attending. Unless for genuine necessity, please remain in the pew until the priest has departed the sanctuary.

Please pray for:

Continuous Care: J.W. Evans and B. Heller

Good Shepherd: R. Lewandoski Mt. St. Joseph: Sr. Ann Marie Cole

Peterson: D. Moore and G. Weithie, Welty: J. Murray

Morgantown: Leah Reinhardt

At home: L. Griffin, B. Blazier, M.K. Heller, N. Klamut, J. Gavarkavich, B. & H. Henry, Donald Henning, Roberta Henning, Roxanne Geleski, Bob Comer, & Dorothy Jagaczewski

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 26

5:30 pm– **Joseph Yusko +**

Sunday, August 27

9:00 am - **People of the Parish**

Monday, August 28

(No Mass)

Tuesday, August 29

8:00 am– **Diane Breiding**

Wednesday, August 30

6:00 pm– **St. Al's CMA**

Thursday, August 31

8:00 am– **Pidge Flemming**

Friday, September 1

8:00 am– **St. Al's CMA**

Saturday, September 2

5:30 pm– **People of the Parish**

Sunday, September 3

9:00 am– **People of the Parish**

The St. Michael's Prayer will be prayed after all Masses. It can be found on the back of the missalettes!

St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into Hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

*Dates in our
2023 Mass Intention
Book are available!
Suggested stipend per
intention is \$10.*



Called to Know, Love and Serve the Lord *Weekly Calendar*

SUNDAY, August 27

Mass @ 9:00 am

21th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Breakfast in Columbia Hall

MONDAY, August 28

(No Mass.)

St. Augustine (354-430)

*Hope has two beautiful daughters:
Their names are anger and courage.
Anger at the way things are and
courage to see that they do not re-
main as they are."*

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

Mass @ 8:00 am

*Today we Memorialize
the Passion of St. John the Baptist.*

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

Mass @ 6:00 pm

With Adoration until 7 pm

Bl. Alfredo Schuster (1880-1954)
(Incorrupt)

*"I have no memento to give you apart from an
invitation to holiness."*

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

Mass @ 8:00 am

*Today we remember
Sts. Joseph of Arimethea and Nicodemus,
learned men who opened their hearts and
minds to become some of Christ's first and
most dedicated disciples.*

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Mass @ 8:00 am

First Friday!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Mass @ 5:30 pm

Blessed Andre Grasset(1758-1792)

*"When you say the Our Father,
Gods' ear is next to your lips."*